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R. M. GRAY to Signeur Firm per procura
REISS & Co.
Hongkong, 13th August, 1886.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Underigned has received instruction
to Sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY,
the 16th August, 1886, at 2 P.M., at No. 2
Queen's Road East,
THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
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Hongkong, 14th August, 1886.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY
FOR LONDON VIA SUZUKI CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship
"TELEMACHUS,"
 Captain Jones, will be despatched as
TO-DAY, the 14th inst., at THREE P.M.
 For Freight or Passage apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents
 Hongkong, 13th August, 1886.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY
LIMITED.
FOR ANJOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAILOONG,"
 Captain Ronch, will be despatched for the
Ports TO-DAY, the 14th inst., at 1 P.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURAUX & Co.
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 13th August, 1886.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO
THE Steamship

Captain W. Schaefer, will be despatched to the
 to-morrow TO MORROW the 15th

The above Ports To-MORROW, the 15th inst.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 SIEMSEN &
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 Hongkong, 13th August, 1886.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
 FOR SHANGHAI.
 (Taking Cargo and Passengers at thronging
 for Cebu, Hongkong, Singapore, and
 now, and Ports on the YANZETSE.)
THE COMPANY'S Steamship
 "CANTON."
 Captain Bremner, will be despatched **on**
on MONDAY, the 16th inst., at FOUR
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JARDINE, MATHISON &
General Managers.
 Hongkong, 13th August, 1886.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
 FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
THE COMPANY'S Steamship
 "ESMERALDA."

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RUSSELL & CO. General Managers
HONGKONG, 13th August, 1886.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY
LIMITED.

FOR TIENSIN VIA SWATOW
Taking Cargo for CHUNPOO and NEW
THE Company's Steamship

"TIENSIN".
Captain Quail, will be despatched
on MONDAY, the 16th instant.

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AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD
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Captain T. Radonich, will be despatched above on **TUESDAY**, the 17th instant.

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O. BACHRA
Agent.

Hongkong, 14th August, 1886.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAM
FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE

"BRECONSHIRE."

"HONGKONG & SHANGHAI"
W. Waring, Company, Agents,
whose boats pass on TUESDAY, the 1st
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL &
Angus & Co.,
Hongkong, 13th August, 1886.

NOTICE

**THE HONGKONG AND WHARF
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED**

THE CERTIFICATE OF 8 SHARES
of this Company, No. 1834/1890,
1791/1792 standing in the Register
of STOCK CHANG, HAVING BEEN
lost, notice is hereby given, that a NEW CERTI-
ficate for the said 8 Shares will be issued a
hence and the old one will be
annulled within that period, will be
held by the Company as null and void.
Dated, 11th August, 1886.

1899 J. D. GILL
Secretory

NOTICES.

THE CAPTAIN, OFFICER, AND
the Imperial Customs Meritment
Revenue Officer "LINA FENG" will

the Ward-room Steward.
LANE, CRAWFORD

Co. 1193 Hongkong, 18th August, 1898.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

High Water.		Low Water.	
Hour.	Time.	Hour.	Time.
1st	10 15	1st	10 15
2nd	11 15	2nd	11 15
3rd	12 15	3rd	12 15
4th	1 15	4th	1 15
5th	2 15	5th	2 15
6th	3 15	6th	3 15
7th	4 15	7th	4 15
8th	5 15	8th	5 15
9th	6 15	9th	6 15
10th	7 15	10th	7 15
11th	8 15	11th	8 15
12th	9 15	12th	9 15

The height of mean sea level has been determined at 7.55 feet above the low water of spring tides, which is the height of the water at the Victoria Pier at low tide.

The heights in the tables marked with a minus (-) sign are below Low Water of Spring Tides, and should be subtracted from the constants given above.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

STATION.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind.	Clouds.	Weather.
Hongkong.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Shanghai.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Amoy.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Swatow.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Yokohama.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Manila.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Cebu.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
Colon.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
San Francisco.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.
San Pedro de Macoris.	29.75	81	W.	100	Cloudy.

Hongkong Observatory, 13th August, 1886.

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WE SHOULD NOT OUT DISEASE IN ITS EARLY STAGES.

The disease commences with a slight derangement of the stomach, but, if neglected, it in time involves the whole transverse, the kidneys, liver, pancreas, and in fact the entire abdominal system, and the afflicted drag out a miserable existence until death gives relief from suffering. The disease often mistaken for other complaints; but if the reader will ask himself the following questions he will be enabled to determine whether he himself is one of the afflicted:—Have I distress, pain, or difficulty in breathing after eating? Is there a dull, heavy feeling, attended by drowsiness? Have the stools become watery, thin, and sticky, mucus being gathered about the gums and teeth in the mornings, accompanied by a disagreeable taste? Is the tongue coated? Is there a fullness about the right side of the chest, or a sense of oppression? Is there vertigo or dizziness when rising suddenly from a horizontal position? Are the secretions from the kidneys highly coloured, with a deposit after standing? Does food ferment soon after eating, causing a sense of flatulence or belching of gas from the stomach? Is there frequent palpitation of the heart? These various symptoms may not be present at one time, but they may be present at different times, and the disease will progress, if not cured, until it becomes a long standing, there will be a dry, hacking cough, attended after a time by expectoration. In very advanced stages the skin assumes a dirty brownish tint, the hair falls out, the feet are covered by a cold sticky perspiration. As the liver and kidneys become more and more diseased, rheumatic pains appear, and the usual treatment of these affections, such as the use of laxatives, diuretics, and the like, will do no good, but rather aggravate the disease. The origin of this malady is indigestion or dyspepsia, and a small quantity of the proper medicine will remove the disease if taken in its incipient stage. It is most important that all cases of this disease should be properly treated in its first stages, when a little medicine will effect a cure. The most successful and most effective remedy for this distressing complaint is "Selig's Catarrh Syrup," a vegetable preparation sold by all chemists and medicine vendors throughout the world, and by the proprietors, A. J. White, Limited, London, E.C.

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EXTRACT.

WONDERS FROM AN EGYPTIAN TOMB.

To see for instance as we did to-day a somewhat worn, street-haunting child, to be told that it was in 5000 years ago, is startling, and almost incredible, and yet it is a well-authenticated fact, enclosed in the same case with the chair, earthenware pots, containing corn, dates, and figs, mummified ducks, geese of mutton, and various other edibles, intended as offerings to the gods; together with, network, string, and baskets, exactly resembling those in use at the present time, and as fresh-looking that, except by actually touching them, it is impossible to distinguish any difference between them and the modern articles of a similar kind placed by their side.—LADY BRASSER, in *Good Words*.

THE FLUTE IN ANCIENT TIMES.

It was customary for the great Roman orators to station a flute player behind them, in order, says Plutarch, that when the orator was straining his voice to too high a pitch, the flute player should sound a lower note on his flute and thus bring it down to the proper level or tone, and *his word*. Plutarch always employed a flute player named Licinius for this purpose. A somewhat similar custom obtained among the Romans and Grecian actors. These flautists of antiquity were a "Phorbeia" or "Capistrum," that is, a leather band stretched tightly over the cheeks and mouth, having a hole cut in it to enable the player to breathe. The object of this was to relieve the strain on the muscles of the face. The flute was at length driven out of fashion in Greece by Alcibiades, who thought that it disgraced the beauty of his mouth, and said that "a man when playing the flute could hardly be recognized by his nearest and dearest friends."—*Leisure Hour*.

ANTIQUITY OF PLAYING CARDS.

The earliest date arrived at, according to Didot, denoting the European employment of the game of cards, is 1328. The history of printing in Europe bears evidence that cards were first drawn by hand, and early in the 14th century they were stencilled, and then later rough figures were cut on wood or other material and the design impressed on paper. "Much as it may shock the moralist," says a writer on this subject, "who would have all things originate from the finer impulses of man, it seems quite evident that the first crude attempts at wood engraving rather arose from man's desire to amuse himself than from religious instruction; and as cards, according to the testimony of the most genuine, antedated the production of the prints of the saints." It is claimed that at the time that cards were invented they were intended to convey a distinct meaning, the four suits being designed to represent the four classes of people—the chieftains, the military, the classes of artificers, and peasants. By the hearts were meant the ecclesiastics—the French word *hearts* of *hearts*, or choir-man, and *clubs* is the French for heart. By the spades, which are in fact intended to represent pike-heads, are meant the nobles or military. By the square stones, or tiles, which we call diamonds, but which the French call *carreaux*, were intended the artificer's class; and lastly, the suit which we call clubs, what is thought to be a development of the game of trump, triumph, played in England at least as early as the reign of Henry VIII. Trump is mentioned in a sermon by Latimer the Sunday before Christmas, 1529, and by Shakespeare, punning on the word triumph in "Antony and Cleopatra." "What, however," is named by any writer of the Elizabethan era. "The earliest reference to it," says one authority, "is 1521, in the poems of John Taylor, the water poet. Cotton's saying that the game gets its name from the silence observed in playing it, albeit generally received, is by many regarded as incorrect. The proper name is probably *whist*."—*Boston Transcript*.

THE PAINTER OF WATER.

From his earliest years he has known and loved the river and the sea. All his life Mr. Willie has been a cruiser, and I believe he points ten times better on board his yawl than he does in his studio at St. John's Wood, or even at his headquarters at Gillingham; for he was not a painter, but a sailor, and a free. For long he has had a craft of his own; a possession which, I believe, dates from his arrival at that Pons Asinorum of the British art student at the schools of the Royal Academy. At that serious moment Mr. Willie encountered a remarkable individual who explained "how to build a boat with three planks." Odd to say, the individual was a painter, and, as it happened, a capital little vessel. But in course of years gave place to an old ship's longboat, to which were added masts and sails, and original plate-glass ports. This curious craft was manned by a Thames waterman who had never been to sea; and some tremendous adventures were suffered (or enjoyed) in her. She provoked tempests of chaff from barges and other inland craft of the river, who were conservative to the marrow, resented the plate glass ports, and expressed themselves with such ripe and racy humour as might turn a John Gresham with envy. Mr. Willie's present vessel is a yawl of nineteen register (17, yacht measurement), built at Boulogne. She is christened *Ladybird*, is elegant to look on, and, as far as we are concerned, is a sailing vessel, and is distinctly "furrin' built," she is chuffed unmercifully as the boat with the omnibus flat-bottomed, with a centre board, and possessing wonderful steering power and very light draught, she can be run ashore literally anywhere—a sort of independence absolutely necessary to an artist, to whom point of view is everything. So serious is the manner which Mr. Willie assumes in search of work, so remote and (apparently) unapproachable the spots on which he grounds, that he has built for himself quite a brilliant reputation as a daff and incapable navigator. Kind-hearted tug commanders with an eye to business, spontaneously offer the *Ladybird* helplessly the ridiculous sum of five pounds, and cannot for the life of them understand the skipper's refusal to accept their aid; and I believe they end by regarding him as a lunatic idiot. In these craft for years Mr. Willie has cruised in many waters, under all conditions of light and weather. Thanks to them, he has learnt by heart the Lower Thames and its affluents; thanks to them, and his keen eye, he has seen both sides, and its ends and islands, have become even as old friends; thanks to them, he has studied the Zuyder Zee, in storm and mist and sunshine, and explored nearly every canal in Holland.—*Magazine of Art*.

A NIGHT ON AN ICEBERG.

It was a rare and magnificent sight. We were holed, and surrounded by at least forty huge icebergs. The sun had risen with unusual splendour, and his lower edge still reared on the horizon, from whence his golden beams radiated far and wide over the glassy sea and cloudless sky, tinting the white sails of the good ship *Abdullah* idly flapping against the wind, and, brilliantly reflected by the smooth sides of the floating ice-mountains, Cape Horn, the nearest land, and the first we had seen for six weeks, lay like a dim haze thirty-five miles off.

Though the voyage, not yet half over, was already getting tedious, we thanked Providence for this delay. But this the captain, like many a weary sailor, has never again seen during the long, dark night, and immediately foundered without leaving

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